

With God...

Anxious and nerve racking moments over take my thoughts and dreams,
as I clutch my lottery ticket with glee

Not for money or anything like that... but a really cosmic adventure
to some awesome destination just for me to see

The hour is at hand - the time has finally come when the winning ticket is
pulled...and I have won with "God is 1 A"!

I have never won anything in my life and now this, the vacation of all vacations
and someone else to pay

Oh, the clothes to pack, the addresses for post cards, my passport,
and sun tan lotion and all... and I must lose ten pounds quickly to stash

But the day has finally arrived and I make my way to the plane, and waltz on
board while requesting a scotch, and take my seat in first class

As I take my chosen seat by the aisle I am thinking... what a great view
I would have if only I was sitting in the window seat

Then a very serene and slightly glowing person invites me to take the seat
at the window... such a thoughtful and generous treat

Like an old Catholic grandmother, I cross myself at the right time of the prayer
as we take off just for good measure... it can't hurt a thing

Then my newfound friend invites me to look out the window, to see
and marvel at the beauty and majesty of the earth of which we do sing

Just like a montage of completely knowable events that have already happened,
I see them with surprising yet peaceful clarity

Then very far off into the distant space, I see a manger and a fabulously bright
star and poor shepherds tending sheep and three kings of great nobility

Soon I see Jesus in the temple reading from The Prophet Isaiah; that the time
of fulfillment in his reading it has finally come to pass

Other well-known scenes pass by in slow motion... and finally the Cross of
Jesus Christ is revealed in all its' glory for those who will grasp

Sadly, the earth appears very stressed out as we gently glide toward today,
where the lack of love and respect for one another could certainly use a jolt

My friend comments that all can indeed make a difference, by simply following
The Golden Rule - of doing unto others - as more than a mere quote

The plane lands safely back at home, and I can barely catch my breath
from a trip that no one will believe for love or money

This kindly person exited with the rest of us and smiled broadly at me,
as he made his way to parts unknown, which seemed kind of funny

When I got home and was unpacking I found a beautiful card placed
with great tenderness and care among the clothes I wore...

*"Christmas blessings and the peace and love of Jesus Christ and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit to all of you... and much, much more"*